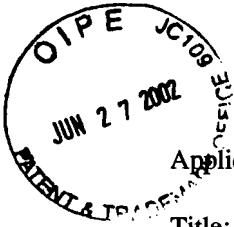


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Submitted herewith on a modified Form PTOSB/08 is a listing of document(s) known to Applicant in order to comply with Applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. A copy of the listed document(s) is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98.

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TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE

The instant Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first action under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). In the alternative, the instant Information Disclosure Statement is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(1).

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The documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 were cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding Korean application. A copy of an English language abstract of the listed documents, if available, is being provided. The absence of a translation or an English-language counterpart document does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider this document (37 C.F.R. § 1.98 and M.P.E.P. § 609).

The Examiner in the corresponding Korean patent application has commented as follows:

1. The present application relates to a liquid crystal display device and the manufacturing method thereof, where when the substrate, the insulating layer, the layers built thereon and the manufacturing method thereof, etc., from Claims 1 through 11 of the present application are compared to the SiNx, a-Si thin film layers, etc., in the specifications and the drawings in Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication H5-265039 (June 15, 1993; hereinafter termed the "cited example"), it would have been easy for an individual having a normal knowledge of the technical field containing said invention to have invented said invention based on the aforementioned cited example, and thus said invention is ineligible to receive patent protection by the stipulations of Article 29, Section 2 of the Patent Law.

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